

**COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

ACTION MINUTES

Thursday, November 6, 2003

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Los Angeles, CA 90017**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AUDIO-CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG's OFFICE.

The Community, Economic & Human Development Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments held its meeting at the SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mayor William Alexander, SANBAG Subregion. There was a quorum.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chair William Alexander called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m. and requested the Vice-chair Alta Duke to lead the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor William Alexander, **Chair**
Councilmember Gary Bosworth
Councilmember Paul Bowlen
Councilmember Edward Burgnon
Mayor Cristina Cruz Madrid
Councilmember Betty DeSantis
Councilmember Bart Doyle
Councilmember Alta E. Duke, **Vice-chair**
Mayor Ronald Loveridge
Councilmember Keith McCarthy
Mayor Kathryn McCullough
Mayor John McTaggart
Councilmember Efren J. Moreno, Jr.
Councilmember Paul Nowatka
Mayor Bev Perry
Councilmember Laura Richardson-Batts
Councilmember Bob Yousefian
Supervisor Chris Norby

SANBAG Subregion
CVAG Subregion
City of Cerritos
SANBAG Subregion
SGVCOG Subregion
Las Virgenes Malibu Conejo COG
City of Sierra Madre
City of La Palma
City of Riverside
City of Downey
OCCOG Subregion
South Bay Cities COG
San Gabriel Valley COG
City of Torrance
City of Brea
City of Long Beach
City of Glendale
City of Orange

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Councilmember Melanie Andrews
Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dispenza
Councilmember Josie Gonzales
Councilmember Manuel Guillen
Councilmember Susan Longville
Councilmember Bedford Pinkard
Councilmember Deborah Robertson
Councilmember M. Jo Shields
Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran
Mayor Charles White

City of Compton
City of Palmdale
SANBAG Subregion
Gateway Cities COG
SANBAG Subregion
City of Oxnard
SANBAG Subregion
City of Brawley
OCCOG Subregion
WRCOG Subregion

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments at this meeting.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar item was MOVED (McTaggart), SECONDED (McCullough) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.1 Approval Item

3.1.1 Minutes of the October 2, 2003 Meeting

3.2 Receive and File

3.2.1 End of Year Legislative Matrix – Other Bills of Interest

4.0 ACTION ITEM

4.1 2004 State and Federal Legislative Program

Ms. Tonya Gorham, Government Affairs Analyst at SCAG, presented the Revised Version of the 2004 State and Federal Legislative Program Draft – a compilation of legislative efforts already underway during 2003 and newly identified focus areas based on comments received from members of the Communications Task Force. Ms. Gorham also made reference to the changes made to the 2004 State and Federal Legislative Program Draft.

Government Affairs staff will closely monitor the activities of the CEHD Committee and give frequent updates as to what is taking place in Sacramento.

A brief discussion followed regarding the Draft Legislative Program's Transportation Financing section. Some Committee members said that changing the law of the constitution

by lowering the voter threshold is a very important policy consideration for tax increase. Others did not agree with lowering the voter threshold and noted they would not support the program if it contained this item.

Supervisor Norby requested a roll call vote. A roll call vote was then held. There were 11 yes votes, 4 no votes, with 1 abstention.

ACTION: It was MOVED (McTaggart) and SECONDED (Richardson-Batts) to **adopt the recommended action to approve and forward to the Regional Council the 2004 State and Federal Legislative Program Draft.**

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Growth Forecast Update

Ms. Lynn Harris, Manager of Community Development at SCAG, informed the Committee that the forecast component of the Draft RTP has been released for public review and comment to members, interested parties, and subregional coordinators. Formal comment can be made to SCAG technical staff by January 16, 2004.

5.2 2003 State of the Region Report

Mr. Ping Chang, Senior Regional Planner at SCAG, presented the Highlights of the Upcoming 2003 State of the Region Report. Mr. Chang discussed and explained the overall approach, issue areas, themes, and the score card. The report will be printed in December 2003 and a press release will be scheduled in January 2004.

A brief discussion followed wherein members of the Committee asked questions and gave comments to Mr. Chang.

The Vice-chair thanked Mr. Chang for his presentation and the Committee congratulated him on a job well done.

5.3 Community Development Division – FY 03-04 Work Plan

Ms. Lynn Harris, Manager of Community Development at SCAG spoke of the Community Development Division – FY 03-04 Work Plan. Ms. Harris introduced the members of her staff, highlighted the Division's accomplishments, and gave the Committee an outlook as to what's to come for the rest of the fiscal year.

5.4 Village at Playa Vista Development Project

Mr. Doug Moreland, Senior Vice-President of Playa Vista, presented The Village at Playa Vista Development Project. Mr. Moreland informed the Committee that The Village is slated to be constructed on the old Hughes Aircraft site and will link Playa Vista's west and east areas through a mix of homes, stores, restaurants and parks. Mr.

Moreland added that a current proposal would preserve open space west of Lincoln Boulevard.

The Village is designed to provide West Los Angeles with critically needed housing for both renters and homeowners, enabling people to live closer to where they work. The Village will also build upon regional transportation improvements already underway, completing improvements to key corridors and intersections, upgrading and synchronizing the signal system and enhancing public transit.

The Vice-chair thanked Mr. Moreland for a wonderful presentation.

5.5 Economic Forecast Conference

Mr. Bruce DeVine, Chief Economist at SCAG, encouraged Committee members to attend SCAG's Seventh Annual Regional Economic Forecast Conference on Thursday, November 13, 2003 at the Hyatt Newporter in Newport Beach. Mr. DeVine reminded members that they don't need to pay the \$125 registration fee but members must register in advance. Online registration is still available by visiting SCAG's web site at www.scag.ca.gov or contact Ms. Linda Jones at SCAG.

5.6 Housing Element Working Group

Mr. Jacob Lieb, Senior Regional Planner at SCAG, updated members on the on-going deliberations of the State Housing and Community Development Housing Element Reform Working Group which met on October 15 and 16, 2003, and November 5, 2003 which Mr. Lieb participated via teleconference.

There are two Legislative Working Group meetings remaining; a meeting on November 18, 2003 and the final meeting on December 3, 2003, wherein staff offered to meet at SCAG offices. Staff will continue to update the Committee on any regional issues discussed.

A brief discussion ensued with the Committee asking questions about the Legislative Working Group meeting.

5.7 Growth Visioning Subcommittee Report

Mayor Bev Perry, Chair of the Growth Visioning Subcommittee, reported that the Growth Visioning Subcommittee reviewed the Draft COMPASS Growth Vision Report at its October 23, 2003 meeting. A variety of comments were made which will be included in the version to be released as an Appendix to the Draft RTP. A series of working sessions to review the preferred plan forecast is being scheduled with all interested subregions. The working sessions are designed to get feedback from technical staff on the feasibility of the projections.

The Four Corners workshop has been rescheduled for December 1, 2003 due to the wildfires.

Mayor Perry announced that the Mr. Peter Calthorpe is the guest speaker at the Third COMPASS Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on November 18, 2003, 10:00 a.m. at SCAG offices.

5.8 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Update of Litigation

The Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Update of Litigation was moved to Information Item because nothing has happened with the case since the Committee's October 2, 2003 meeting.

SCAG Legal Counsel will report back to the Committee regarding the Court's final judgment.

6.0 THE CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair did not have a report at this meeting.

7.0 STAFF REPORT

A staff announcement was added to Information Item 5.3.

8.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items scheduled at this meeting.

9.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Vice-chair announced that this is Councilmember John McTaggart and Mayor Betty Desantis' last meeting. The Vice-chair thanked both Councilmember McTaggart and Mayor DeSantis for serving on the Committee. Their services have been truly inspirational for other members of the Committee.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m. The next CEHD meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2003 at SCAG.

Signed:



Lynn Harris

Manager, Community Development